

Varsity Victory Closes Season

STICK WILL SEND 5 TO N. Y. CONFERENCE

At the staff meeting of the Stick yesterday, Herbert Downs, Mary Disken, Harry O'Connell, and Alfred Turner, were elected to represent Fitchburg at the Columbia Scolastic Press Conference to be held at Columbia University in New York City, March 10, 11, and 12.

Norma Richardson, editor elect of the Saxifrage will be a delegate and will be sent through the cooperation of the 1938 Saxifrage and the Stick. Mr. Hague, The Stick advisor, was unanimously elected to accompany the group.

The Convention, which last year drew 2,148 students representing all types of schools in all parts of the United States, will feature sectional meetings at which problems peculiar to the various types of publications will be discussed, newspaper and magazine clinics, round table discussions, luncheons and visits to the principle New York newspaper plants.

WEEK'S SCHEDULE Week of March 7

Monday

12:30—Stick Staff Meeting

Tuesday

11:00—Assembly

12:30—Glee Club

12:40—Intra-mural board meeting

4:00—Girl's Volleyball

Wednesday

4:00—Intra-mural basketball

3:00—Girl's badminton

Thursday

11:00—Assembly

12:40—M. A. board

4:00—Girl's volleyball

ART LANIDES STARS AS SALEM TEACHERS COLLEGE IS DEFEATED 34-29 IN THRILLING GAME



Coach Ray Creamer

CHOCOLATES WON BY GIRL BOWLERS

Mary Disken and Elinore Scully were awarded with a box of chocolates apiece for the highest single score of 118 and the highest total score for three strings of 270 respectively.

The two girls are now serving refreshments to their public which are literally surrounding them.

The final bowling contest of the season was run off Wednesday afternoon at the Putnam St. Alleys and resulted in a Black victory with 1251 points. The Orange team ran second with 1192 and the White team followed with 1164.

MILTON JEFFREY PLAYS FAREWELL GAME

Our basketball team closed their season Wednesday night at the B. F. Brown Junior High School, when they defeated Salem Teachers College 34 to 29.

The superior playing of the Fitchburg team, which has had many disappointments during the season, tells the story of their victory. Lanides was top-notch for the team, sinking six floor goals and one foul shot for a total of 13 tallies. The game saw Milton Jeffrey playing what will probably be his last game of basketball for F. T. C. due to graduation. Jeff has been a credit to the team with his fighting spirit and his alertness on the floor.

In the preliminary game the Sophomore P. A. defeated the Senior P. A. 24 to 17.

The two teams in the half pro-
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GOODWIN EPSILON PI TAU DELEGATE

Paul Goodwin, president of Epsilon Pi Tau, and Mr. Blair McLean, faculty sponsor, are to attend the National Convention of Epsilon Pi Tau Fraternity in Atlantic City, New Jersey, next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The annual convention will be held this year at the same time as the Superintendents Annual Convention.

Mr. Goodwin is going to take part in the initiation ritual.



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EDITORIAL

SHALL WE DANCE?

Educators, noted for their foresight are sometimes very irritating by their blindness in connection with things actually dumped into their laps.

A peculiar situation exists in this institution. Freshmen orientation, Social Ethics, Educational Psychology, Monday dances, and these much-publicized "eighteen organizations" all have as their ultimate aim the "social adaptation" of its students. That is, by these means, the student eventually knows himself—and his limitations.

One of the greatest deterrents to student loyalty here is the lack of dancing ability. It is a peculiar limitation which eventually results in social ostracism. Call the modern dance what you will, educators, -- crazy, vulgar, foolish, -- student loyalty will never reach its high peak when the two sexes cannot meet on the most legitimate place in the world, the floor, because one or the other cannot dance well enough to be comfortable and gay.

The purpose of this article is to interest the faculty and students in the possibility of a class on Ballroom Dancing, be it intra- or extra-curricular.

Here we have the best means of going to first base in the matter of social adaption. But educa-

THE ASH TRAY

J. W. ANDERSON

May we, of the overflowing receptacle, introduce to our public a new and distinct organization in this fair college of ours. "The Fraternity of The Doghouse," instituted for those who are slightly in bad. This will serve to explain the phrase, "in the doghouse." By the way, have you noticed the new clubhouse attached to the back of the building. These choice quarters have been grabbed by the charter members.

One of our keyhole eavesdroppers reports that the familiar, squeak, squeak, of the lobby floor will be gone after vacation.

The inter-dorm party last Tuesday night was very successful. One of the sponsors, contrary to the joint committee's will, bought refreshments for eight or ten. Who says anything about diplomacy.

Have you noticed one of the exalted seniors walking around this week with his nose a bit higher in the air? It must be great to be able to fill in the shoes of the great.

A bunch of us jitter-bugs were listening to a group of cats jibing it the other P.M. when one of the noodlers turns Monday player while rubbing the high C. The noodler turns out to be a freak-lip who prefers to corn it but must lick it to live. To the modern musician, the above jargon simply means.....With a group of swing devotees, I was listening to an orchestra playing swing the other evening when a saxophone player played a sour note while playing in the highest register. The sax player turned out to be a lad who plays swing music one night and clas-

tors will insist on listing the inanity of the dance, while disregarding the great and fundamental good a 1-2--3 will do.

A FREE TRY

Being an amateur I hope you'll forgive me if I miss this free try.

As far as statistics go the past basketball season cannot be termed successful. But from the standpoint of cooperation, good fellowship and sincerity we were unsurpassed.

To Capt. Joe Daniels, an inspiring leader; hard working Jeffrey whose loss due to graduation will be felt greatly next year, and to the rest of the basketball squad who gave their all during every game, and to the managerial staff for their splendid assistance, I offer my sincere congratulations.

At this time I would like to express my thanks to the student body, and to Mr. Healy and the rest of the faculty for their spirit and cooperation.

My only regret is that we couldn't take the student body and faculty on our trips away from Fitchburg, as we had planned earlier.

(Maybe I did not sink this free shot, but I hope it helps towards the score.)

Ray Creamer

sics the next and while he would rather play in the old-fashioned manner, it seems that he had to play hot rhythm if he wanted to get paid. (Simple, isn't it?) While we're fooling around with vernacular...how many of you have heard...Draw one in the dark...Adam and Eve on a raft and wreck 'em...Noah's boy with Murphy carrying a wreath. chewed fine with a breath...all of which means..(1) black coffee, (2) scrambled eggs, (3) ham, potato, and cabbage, and (4) hamburger with onions(of course you knew!)

And it seems altogether fitting and proper that we, in order to form a more perfect student-body, do warn the uninformed that "A kiss that speaks volumes, is seldom the first edition."

Sweep it up!

SPORTS

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Winning by one point in a game that see-sawed from start to finish, the Orange hoopsters overcame the Blacks by the score of 22 - 21 on last Friday, Feb. 18. Adah Parker was captain of the Orange team, and Frances McCarthy captained the Black team.

By a strange coincidence the forwards of both teams used identical plays; the guards of both teams used the zone system of defense. The Orange forwards, L. Szocik, A. Parker, and G. Lyons played well together against a strong Black defense composed of M. Owens, R. Hughes, and B. Baldwin. The Black forwards,

Scully, F. Lovell, and M. Disken had a hard fight against the resisting Orange guards, M. Ward, E. O'Connor, M. Burwick, and L. White.

The championship will be claimed by the winner of two out of three games.

Intar-Mural Basketball

A close game was played Wednesday the sixteenth between the Freshman P. A. and the Sophomore G. M., the score being 26 to 25 in the Freshmen's favor. There were two overtime periods.

The second game was between the Freshman G. M. and the the Sophomore P. A. The score was 25 to 10 in favor of the Sophomore P. A. At the end of the first half the score was 9 to 6 in favor of the Freshmen.

Wednesday afternoon, February 23rd the Junior G. M. polished off the Senior P. A. 19 to 18. The game between the Sophomore P. A. and the Freshman P. A. was postponed until a later date. When this game is played the winners will meet the Junior G. M. in the deciding game of the tournament.

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BASKETBALL

vided entertainment when they

came onto the floor clad in feminine basketball togs and put on an exhibition of women's basketball. "Tom Boy" Anderson and "Mary" Sweeney showed rare form in this encounter.

Much credit should be given to the basketball team for their work this season. Of course if you want to judge a team in relation to their victories and losses you might truthfully say that it was a poor season. But this is not the only thing that should be taken into consideration. Let's also think of the spirit in which the games were played, the effort and courage showed by the players, the cooperation of each member of the squad in practices and many other things that go to make up a good team. Also, before judgement is made, look back over the score of games. In many of these contests, two or three points would have put an altogether different outlook on

the standing of F. T. C's. basketball team for the season.

Ray Creamer filled his position as coach in a very praiseworthy manner. Besides keeping his players in excellent condition he set up an example for them to follow in actual playing ability.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL INTRA-MURAL CHAMPS

The Brownies captained by Arthur Dicker easily defeated the All-Stars by a score of 10 to 2 to win the Intramural Championship.

The league consisted of four teams. The Crows captained by Q. Rollo; The Sleepers captained by Walter Sunne; The Brownies (Champs) and The All-Stars captained by Wallace Johnson. The league was under the direction of John Guilfoil.

Report on Varsity Basketball-Season 1937-1938

F. T. C. — 36	Gorham Normal School-home — 51
F. T. C. — 25	Worcester Polytechnic-away — 56
F. T. C. — 33	Assumption College-home — 23
F. T. C. — 21	New Britain Teachers-away — 33
F. T. C. — 37	Keene Normal School-home — 32
F. T. C. — 27	St. Anselm's College-away — 46
F. T. C. — 29	Hyannis Teachers-away — 30
F. T. C. — 34	St. Anselm's College-home — 43
F. T. C. — 25	Assumption College-away — 27
F. T. C. — 28	New Britain Teachers-home — 29
F. T. C. — 34	Salem Teachers College-home — 29

F.T.C.—329

Opponents—399

Scoring results of season Total points Baskets Free tries Fouls

Ray Creamer	84	35	14	30
Joe Dainels	50	18	14	26
Bert Bennett	61	22	17	25
Gil Berry	46	20	6	16
Art Lanides	24	9	6	3
Aub Hastings	23	9	5	12
Milt Jeffrey	18	6	6	12
Chet Smith	12	4	4	6
Alf Braconier	8	3	2	2
Angelo Lanza	2	1	0	0
Matty Godek	1	0	1	0

329

127

75

132

Percentage of wins — .272

Games won-3

Games lost-8

CAMPUS CHATTER

Dorm News:

Flash: Inmates of both dorms have been practicing a new "Morse Code" signal. One light if you land a date, two says you don't. (A little bit of Paul Revere, too.) I wonder who the British would possibly be?

They should build a third dorm and call it a "Doghouse". It would save a lot of trouble.

The blond demon with the exotic temperament should have her ears trimmed. Less acreage to burn, my dear.

Lucky Chet would find a diamond mine. Better start prospecting M.

Ask O'Sheasy to sing his new song for you, it's quite catching--
Tippy tippy tim tippy tim, tippy
tippy tum tippy tum...

I thought Dr. Percival might like this.

Of a Gilbert and Sullivan nation,

Perhaps to create deviation,
To possibly find a magnificent mind

Under piles of minute subjugation,
To find a new standard plus the deviation

Has made many men become glad,

And could Zie and Zeta become any greater

If this whole college went mad?
But if correlations can set I. Q. stations

With normal and abnormal curves,

Then send me by nature a bay window stature

And I'll do all the Kelleys with nerve.

If the case history of the above problem child is wanted kindly send a self addressed envelope (Better put a stamp on it) to the Nutsly Mansion, Summer Street, Worcester. Visitors must have calling cards.

They make a "raft" of rules for

the library but have you noticed how the faculty blissfully ignore them—to hear them converse in there, you'd think they were on a desert island trying to find an echo.

What's the story on withheld books in the library—ain't we old enough or don't the powers that rule, think our "Mothers told us?"

Balcony atmosphere at the game last Wednesday: OOOooo, AH-H-H-h h h haa, Wow, if, if, if, No! No! shucks.

The faculty sat on the benches, the Salem players sat on the floor.

MR. HEALY'S CEILING

Mr. Healy

During the past week, the ceiling of Mr. Healy's office collapsed. After much questioning, we have come to the conclusion as to the cause of this most tragic incident.

In seeking the cause of this incident we were left with many and varied answers. Some are as follows:

Perhaps a ghost of Sampson appeared and wanted to show us just what he was able to do in his day!!!! Maybe it was one of Mr. Healy's students of Physical Education already showing results with his massive frame and giant muscle!!! From one reliable sources it was said that Mr. Healy, after a hard days work, got up and stretched to his heart's content, but to the ceiling's destruction!!! !!

However the above are assumptions, but we have to believe one of them until we get a more reliable answer as to the cause of this happening. Perhaps you have the true answer to the Problem.

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COMMUNITY FORUM

Last Sunday at the Community Forum, Gerhardt Seger, refugee from a Nazi concentration camp, and editor of a leading German-American newspaper, gave an impartial survey of what is going on in his old country. "A Nation Terrorized" was putting it mildly as he described the constant fear of every household in Germany, the atrophy of spirit and will in such an atmosphere. Repeating many times the need for restraint on his part, Seger told of a fellow-prisoner who died in his arms, actually beaten to death by the camp keepers.

He warned the American people to defend constantly their Bill of Rights, for, said he, "You never appreciate freedom so much as when you lose it, and then it is too late."

"Hitler would never get a majority vote if a free election could be effected. His rise to power has been facilitated by different things: the stupidity of the Versailles treaty, the economic depression, a trumped-up anti-Semitic campaign. The virtual imprisonment of President F. D. Roosevelt during his last death-bed days made Hitler dictator."

For those who are psychologically inclined, Mr. Seger revealed the large number of sex perverts, homosexuals, and sadists among the upper crust of the Nazi regime; the use of school text-books in building up a war philosophy by utilizing bombs and war machines in arithmetic.

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